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Sir:

On June 15, 2001, the Office issued a Notice to File Missing Parts indicating that a fee of \$18.00 was missing. The formed indicated that there were six total claims over \$20.00, and that 18 additional dollars was required. This requirement by the Office is respectfully traversed as being incorrect.

Upon filing, Applicants submitted the original patent, which included claims 1-21. Applicants further added claims 22-26. This leaves a total of six claims over 20.

Accordingly, Applicants paid a total of filing fee of \$1,378.00. This included \$710.00 for the basic filing fee, \$108.00 for six total claims in excess of 20 and \$560.00 for seven independent claims over three independent claims. Thus the total is \$1,378.00.

Accordingly, the fee required by the Patent Office has already been paid. The Office is respectfully directed to the attached canceled check indicating payment of such fee.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the requirement to pay an additional \$18.00 was issued in error. Accordingly, withdrawal of the requirement is respectfully requested. As such, it is believed and submitted that no \$130.00 surcharge is necessary or appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$18.
  - \$18 for 6 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 148.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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